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# 1946 graymaroon

## The Seasons

these, as they change, Almighty Father, these  
Are but the varied God. the rolling year  
Is full of these .....  
thy beauty walks, thy tenderness and love  
And every sense and every heart is joy.

James Thompson

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# —dedication



With deepest appreciation for the many years of service he has rendered as a teacher at the Bethel Academy and College, we dedicate the 1946 Graymaroon to Dr. David H. Richert. During this time he has come to mean much more than a Professor of Mathematics and Astronomy to his students and colleagues, as is abundantly attested by them and by the affectionate name of "Uncle Davy."

## foreword

As the seasons gently roll . . . for nine months we move gradually along, almost unaware of the changing seasons, the end of summer, fall, winter and then—Spring! . . . Spring with its reminder that we have reached another milestone in our educational pursuit . . .

The year of '45-'46 has been an eventful one. . . Once more hopes for a peaceful world community have returned. . . Bethel College begins to see the realization of the day when student enrollment returns to normal—Building plans can be carried through. . . Students save Saturday afternoons for the big football game. . . Co-eds see the time when men will no longer be a novelty on the campus. . . And that once enormous debt has been liquidated. . .

To each student the year has a different significance. . . To some it was being away from home the first time. . . Others developed leadership abilities. . . We found that here was the place where "good friends meet." . . But to all of us, it has been an experience of learning and living. . .

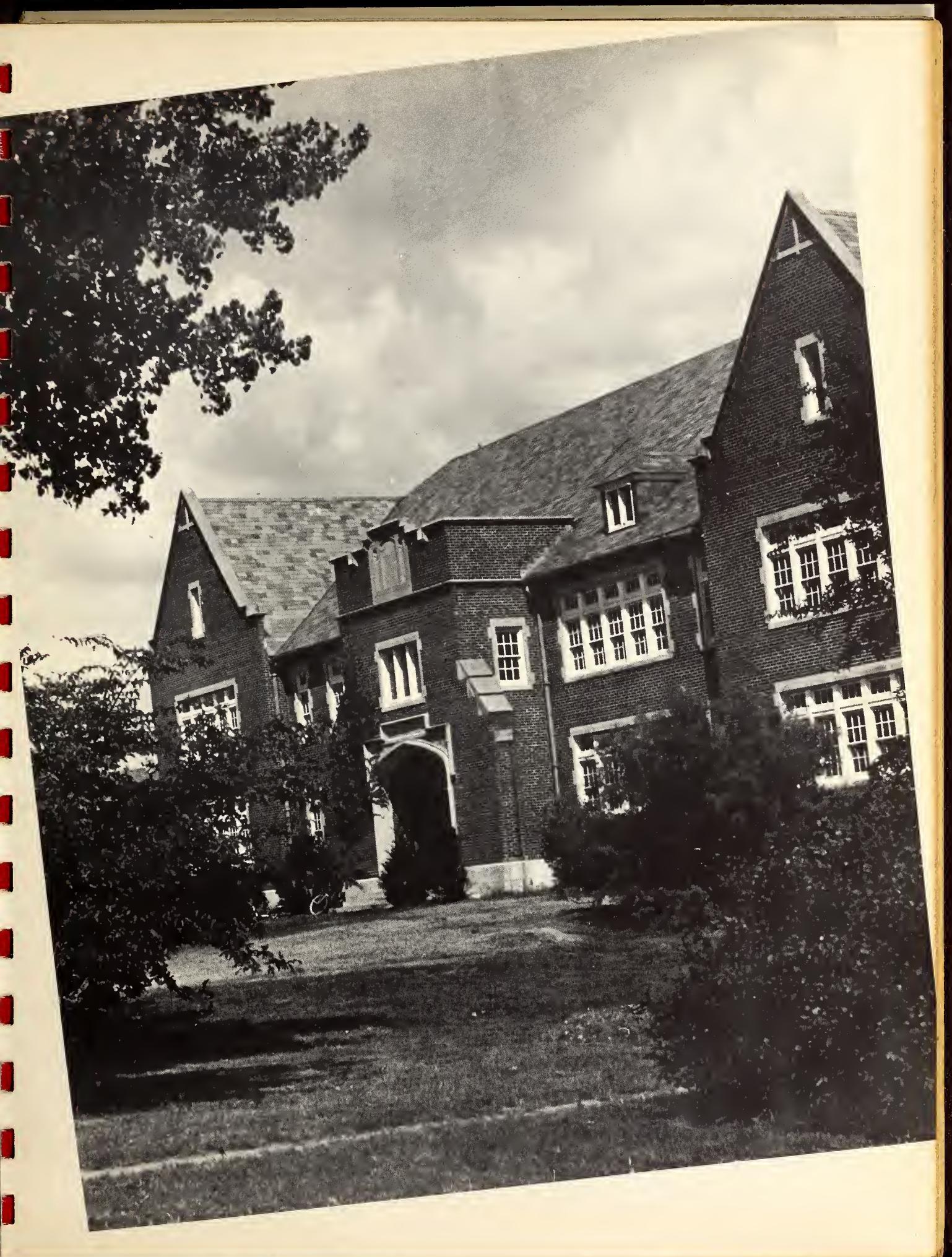
Yes, with a reminiscent smile we say, the year of '45-'46 has been an eventful one. . .



feet into the way of peace"

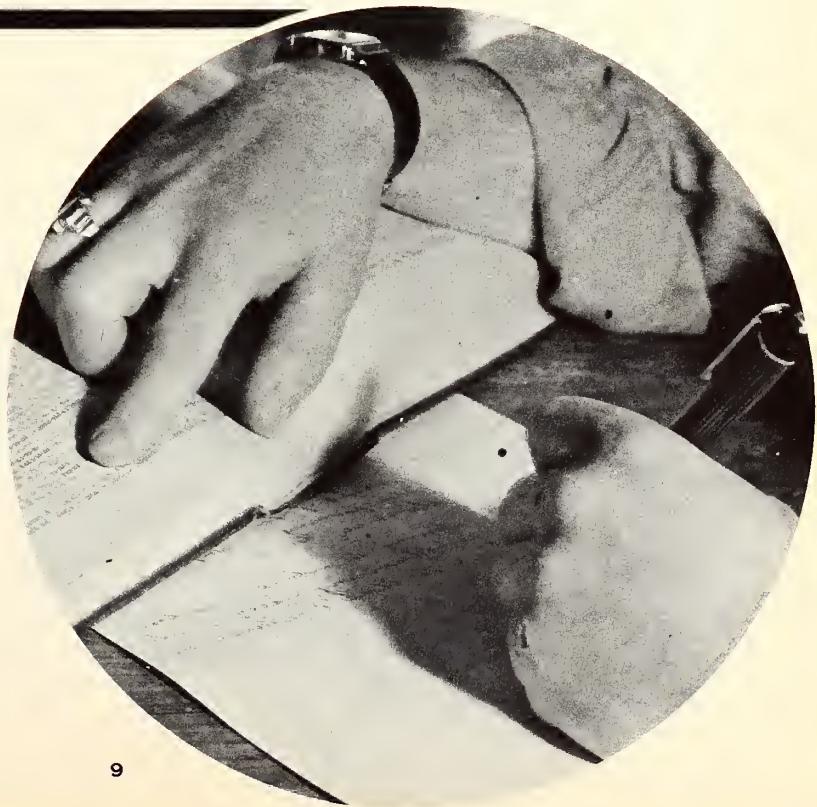






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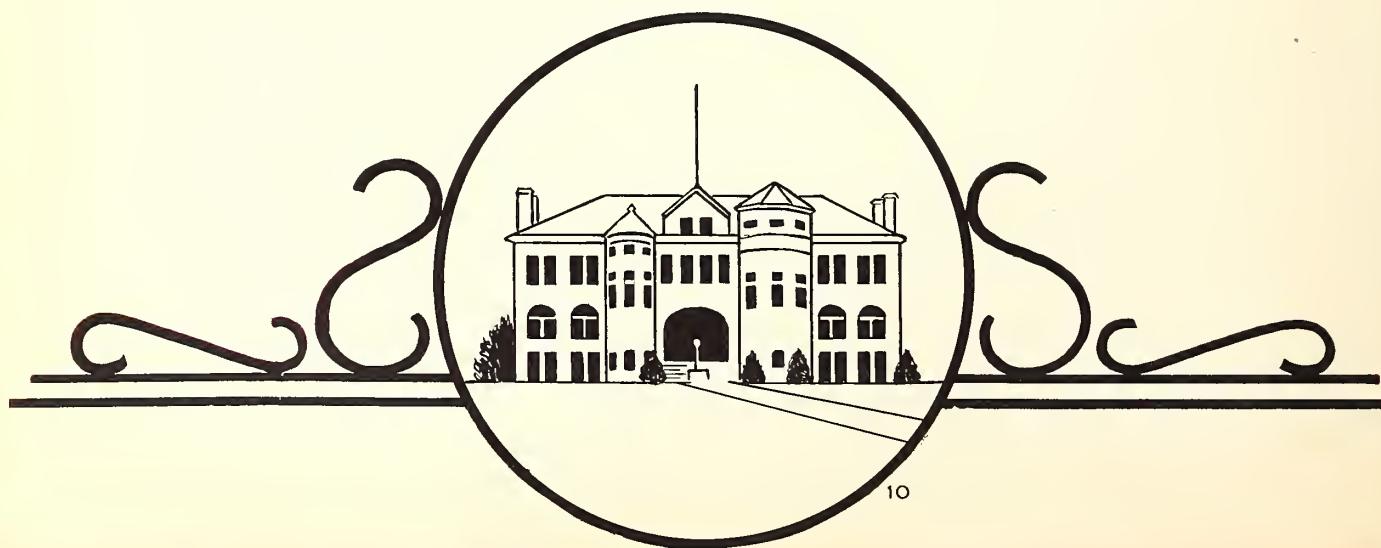
President .....

## Edmund G. Kaufman

During these difficult years of depression and war, President Kaufman has given sacrificially of his time and strength, keeping the college intact and steadily growing. His determination to conquer obstacles, his vision and keen foresight, and his inspired leadership of Bethel College since 1932 have helped to maintain and increase the usefulness of the College as a child of the Mennonite Church.

Author, lecturer, missionary, teacher, administrator—Dr. Kaufman is an understanding president whose loyalty to the school is expressed in his untiring efforts in her behalf for the sake of the larger interests of Christ and His Kingdom.

A graduate of Bethel College, President Kaufman continued his education at Witmarsum Theological Seminary, Garrett Biblical Institute, Columbia University and the University of Chicago, from which he received his Ph.D. degree in 1928. In 1939, Bluffton College honored him with an LL.D.



## Dean of the College

Helpful counselling and genuine interest in the welfare of the student has won for Dr. Goertz the respect and admiration of students throughout his many years of service. He also serves as instructor in Philosophy and Religion.



## Dean of Men

We welcome Dr. Fretz's return to the Bethel College family. Besides acting as Dean of Men, he serves as an instructor in the Social Science Division and has willingly given his time for the welfare of the students.



## Dean of Women

The girls at Bethel are fortunate to have such a charming and dignified person as Mrs. Harshbarger for their Dean. Her office is often filled with students either seeking advice or just engaged in an interesting conversation. She also serves as an Assistant in Home Economics.

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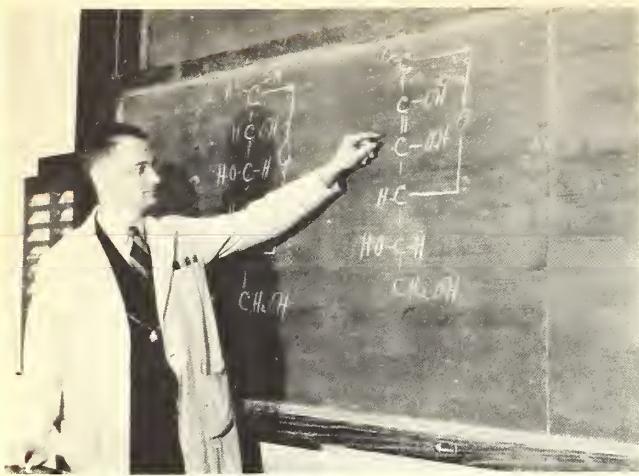
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Assistant Professor of Church History,  
German



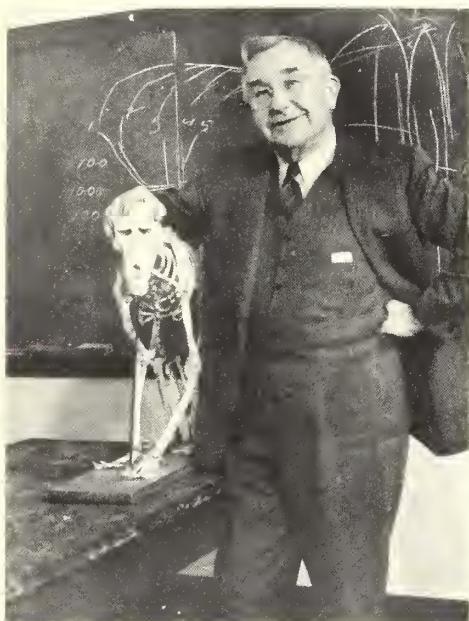
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Professor of Bible



MISS MINNIE HARMS  
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German



MR. MENNO HARDER  
Assistant Professor in Education, Social  
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# Curriculum

The Curriculum of Bethel College is divided into five divisions. Following are the general aims and objectives of each division.

## **Division I BIBLE AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

1. To give an understanding and appreciation of the Bible as the Word of God.
2. To train and inspire for Christian service.
3. To provide, under supervision, for practical experience in various forms of Christian activity.
4. To acquire thorough work which in character and quality is of a high standard.

## **Division II THE NATURAL SCIENCES**

1. To stimulate a love for nature and healthy growth in the understanding of natural phenomena.
2. To learn to appreciate the contributions of the natural sciences to a well-balanced education and to modern civilization and thought.
3. To master such fundamental principles and techniques of natural science as are essential for intelligent and creative living and for success in a chosen career.

## **Division III THE HUMANITIES**

1. A mastery of the essentials of correct English for the sake of clear and effective expression.
2. Acquisition of the rudiments of languages other than English.
3. Inculcation of a love and taste for wholesome reading purposive of leading to a worthy use of leisure time, and to a broadening of the knowledge of life and of nature in the world about us.
4. Enrichment of the emotional nature by cultivating and adequate appreciation of the true and the beautiful.
5. To furnish an opportunity for a liberal education in the Fine Arts as a part of the regular collegiate work; to develop an appreciation and love for the beautiful so that through the Fine Arts a life of richer significance may be achieved by means of self-expression, emotional release, and creative activity; to prepare young men and women for professional work in the studio, the school, the church, and on the concert platform; and to train teachers.
6. To train students in reflective thinking and to acquaint them with the various systems of philosophical interpretations; to achieve in the student a coherent and integrated Christian philosophy of life.

## **Division IV THE SOCIAL STUDIES**

1. To stimulate effective personal and group adjustments to the economic, social and political relationships of the day in the light of the Christian philosophy of life.
2. To develop skill in the use of the scientific method as applied to the social sciences.
3. To prepare students for graduate work in their chosen fields.
4. To train and inspire students for Christian service to mankind, individually and collectively.

## **Division V THE APPLIED ARTS AND SCIENCES**

1. To develop interest in and offer first-hand knowledge and experience in the affairs, conditions, and work of the practical world.
2. To develop the organic systems of the body to the end that each individual may live at the highest possible level.
3. To develop a love for orderly and systematic procedure in the performance of any task.
4. To develop skills in activities and favorable attitudes toward play and the arts that will carry over and function during leisure time.
5. To emphasize the dignity of labor and teach respect for the worker.

# Staff Assistants

Not on panel:

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MRS. EVELYN HABEGGER  
GERHARD FRIESEN



MRS. VILAS GERBER  
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MYRTLE GOERING  
Secretarial Bureau



HELEN W. PENNER  
Dietitian



MARILYN KAUFMAN  
Secretary to Dean



MONICA DIRKS  
Secretary to President



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Chief Engineer



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Infirmary



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Business Office



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Curator of Museum



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The Board of Directors of Bethel College is the legal representative of the Bethel College Corporation of the Mennonite Church of North America. These thirteen members and the two alternate members of the board, who are elected at the annual meeting of the corporation for a term of six years, are responsible for Bethel College to the people. The term of office of the members is so arranged that not more than three are elected at one time. It is a policy to include in the membership men from various professions, such as ministers, educators, physicians, and others, no more than one-third being drawn from any one vocation.

## Bethel College Women's Association

The Women's Association is one of Bethel's most active organizations. It is composed of women who are interested in the welfare of the college. To accomplish this aim, the women have had some outstanding projects, such as the installation of the pipe organ in the chapel and the large electric oven in the kitchen, equipping the college kitchen with many other things, re-decorating the reception of the girls' dormitory, furnishing drapes for the dining hall and the recreation room, and laying a tile floor in the dining hall. At the present, it is raising money to build either a new girls' dormitory or an annexation to Carnegie Hall. This organization sponsors banquets and does canning for the college. It is through their undying energy and deep devotion to the college that they have become an indispensable organization to Bethel and to Christian Education.

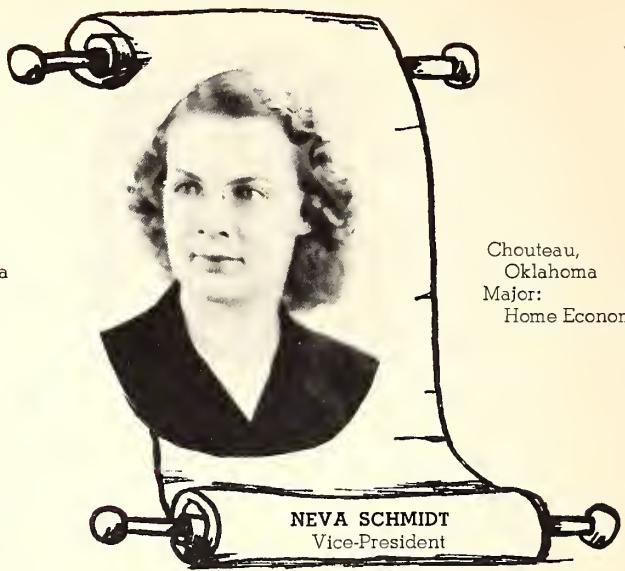
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# Seniors



Freeman,  
South Dakota  
Major:  
English



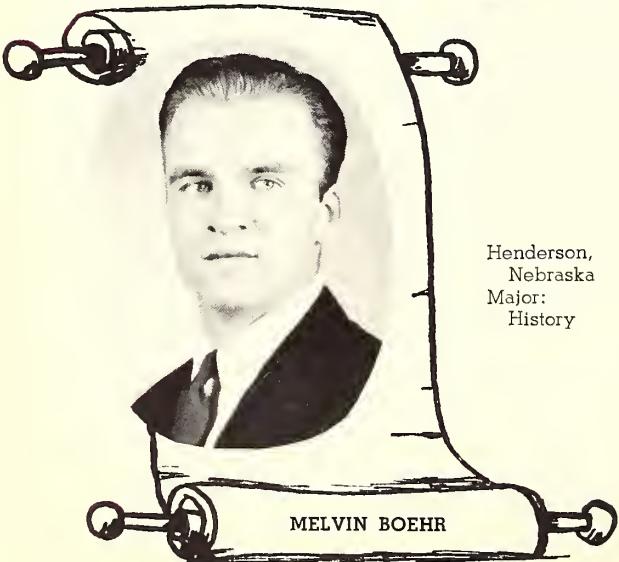
Chouteau,  
Oklahoma  
Major:  
Home Economics



Mountain Lake,  
Minnesota  
Major:  
English



Deer Creek,  
Oklahoma  
Major:  
Home Economics



Henderson,  
Nebraska  
Major:  
History



Beatrice,  
Nebraska  
Major:  
Home Economics





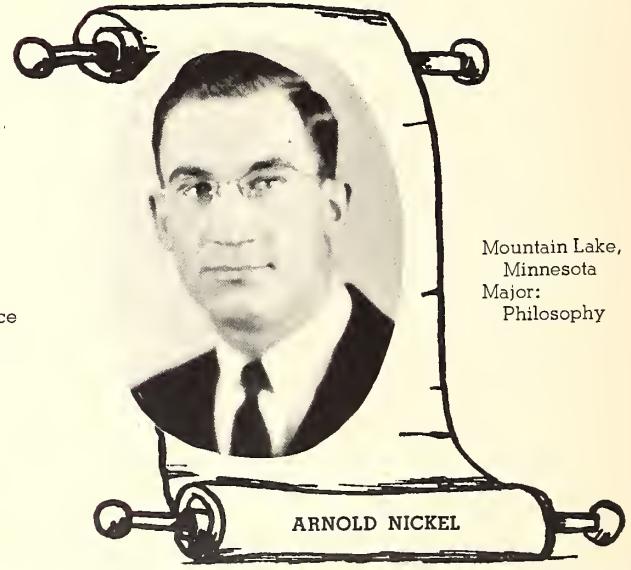
Busby,  
Montana  
Major:  
Bible



North Newton,  
Kansas  
Major:  
Philosophy



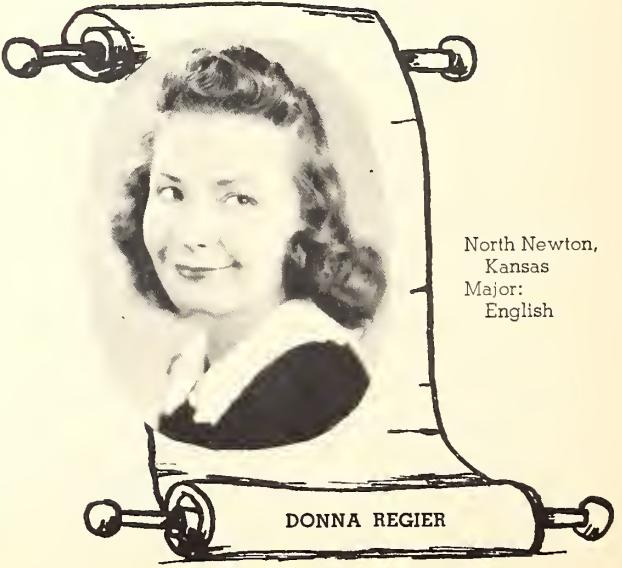
Hesston,  
Kansas  
Major:  
Natural Science



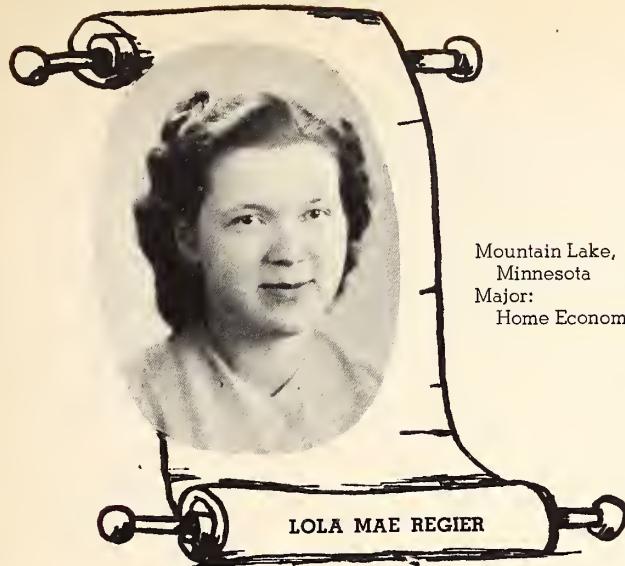
Mountain Lake,  
Minnesota  
Major:  
Philosophy



Mountain Lake,  
Minnesota  
Major:  
Economics



North Newton,  
Kansas  
Major:  
English



Mountain Lake,  
Minnesota  
Major:  
Home Economics



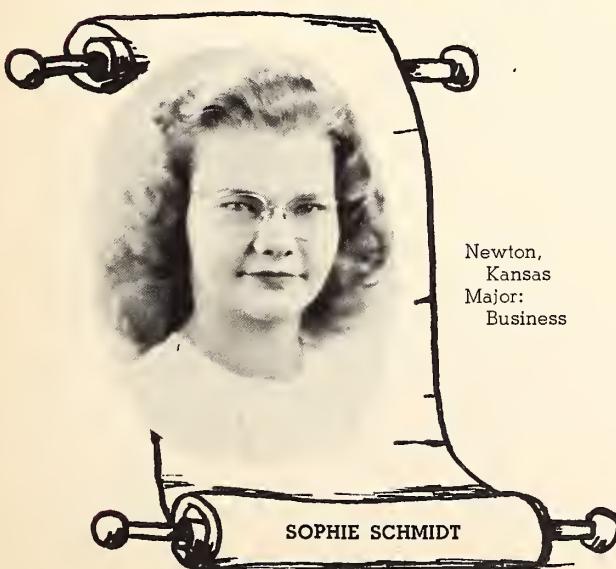
Hillsboro,  
Kansas  
Major:  
Home Economics



Newton,  
Kansas  
Major:  
Social Science



Hesston,  
Kansas  
Major:  
Social Science



Newton,  
Kansas  
Major:  
Business



Larned,  
Kansas  
Major:  
History



Pawnee Rock,  
Kansas  
Major:  
Mathematics



Newton,  
Kansas  
Major:  
Music



Walton,  
Kansas  
Major:  
Music



Freeman,  
South Dakota  
Major:  
Bible



Freeman,  
South Dakota  
Major:  
History



Moundridge,  
Kansas  
Major:  
Bible

# Juniors



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Freeman, South Dakota

SMITH, ELOISE  
Vice-President  
Larned, Kansas

SCHMIDT, NAOMI  
Secretary  
Wichita, Kansas

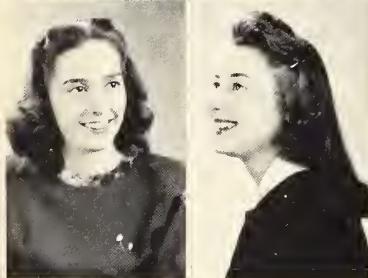
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Treasurer  
Newton, Kansas



BOESE, EDNA..... Weatherford, Oklahoma  
EDIGER, AMANDA..... Buhler, Kansas  
FLASSCHOEN, GEORGE..... Belgium



FLETCHER, JOAN..... Newton, Kansas  
JANTZ, ADELIA..... Odessa, Washington  
KREHBIEL, VENITA..... McPherson, Kansas



LINSCHEID, KATHERINE..... North Newton, Kansas  
LOGANBILL, LAVETA..... Hillsboro, Kansas  
LOHRENTZ, LOIS..... McPherson, Kansas



NEUFELD, ELSIE..... Medford, Oklahoma  
PETERS, ABRAHAM..... North Newton, Kansas  
PETERS, HILDEGARD..... Henderson, Nebraska





PREHEIM, HERMIE.....Freeman, South Dakota  
 REGIER, BETTY.....North Newton, Kansas  
 REGIER, MARGARET.....Whitewater, Kansas



REIMER, ROSELLA.....Newton, Kansas  
 RIESEN, LOIS JEAN.....Hillsboro, Kansas  
 SIEMENS, VIOLA.....Altona, Manitoba, Canada



STUCKY, FAIRE.....Hutchinson, Kansas  
 STUCKY, HOWARD.....McPherson, Kansas  
 WALTNER, ELAINE.....Marion, South Dakota



WEDEL, ARNOLD.....Newton, Kansas  
 WIEBE, MARGIE.....Aberdeen, Idaho



## Special Students



HOOE, MRS. GRACE.....Newton, Kansas  
 PETERS, ELIZABETH.....Altona, Manitoba, Canada  
 SAWATZKY, VICTOR.....Newton, Kansas



SCHMIDT, MATHILDA.....Newton, Kansas  
 UNRUH, SELMA.....Newton, Kansas  
 WEDEL, MRS. GARMAN.....North Newton, Kansas



### SPECIAL STUDENTS NOT ON PANEL

HOHMANN, MRS. ELSBETH...North Newton, Kansas  
 MACLEAN, JAMES.....Newton, Kansas  
 WIEBE, ANNE.....Newton, Kansas

# Sophomores



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President  
Marion, South Dakota



PREHEIM, MARILYN  
Vice-President  
Hurley, South Dakota



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Secretary  
Deer Creek, Oklahoma



NUNLEY, FLOYD  
Secretary  
Newton, Kansas



BERNER, EILEEN.....Newton, Kansas  
BOEHR, SARAH.....Henderson, Nebraska  
CLEGG, WILMA.....Newton, Kansas



EWY, DOROTHY.....Jetmore, Kansas  
FRANZ, BETTY JEAN.....Halstead, Kansas  
FRANZ, CLARA.....Lind, Washington



FRANZ, MARY LOU.....Halstead, Kansas  
FRIESEN, ARLINE.....Buhler, Kansas  
GATES, PHYLLIS.....Newton, Kansas





GERBRAND, DORIS.....Buhler, Kansas  
GOERING, GLEN.....Castleton, Kansas  
GOERTZ, ARTHUR.....Walton, Kansas



GRABER, HAZEL.....Pretty Prairie, Kansas  
HARDER, MILTON.....Butterfield, Minnesota  
JAHNKE, PAULINE....Herbert, Sask., Canada



JAHNKE, RUTH.....Herbert, Sask., Canada  
KAUFMAN, MARY ANN..McPherson, Kansas  
KORNELSEN, HELEN..Watrous, Sask., Canada



LAUNHART, KATHERINE....Halstead, Kansas  
LEHRMAN, CHARLES.....Aberdeen, Idaho  
LOEWEN, JOHN.....North Newton, Kansas



LOGANBILL, DENARD.....Bluffton, Ohio  
NACHTIGAL, MERIBETH.....Dighton, Kansas  
QUIRING, SUSAN.....Goessel, Kansas





RATZLAFF, BERNICE.....Inman, Kansas  
RATZLAFF, RICHARD...Pretty Prairie, Kansas  
RAYMER, VETA.....Belpre, Kansas



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SCHMIDT, ERNA.....Newton, Kansas  
SCHMIDT, ESLEY.....Newton, Kansas



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SCHMIDT, RICHARD.....Meno, Oklahoma  
THIESSEN, ELEANOR  
Jagdishpur Via Raipur, C. P. India



TIESZEN, RUTH.....Marion, South Dakota  
UNRUH, WILMA.....Newton, Kansas  
VOTH, KATHRYN.....Newton, Kansas



VOTH, RUBY.....Newton, Kansas  
WARKENTIN, LOIS.....Newton, Kansas  
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FRANZEN, MARJORIE.....Canton, Kansas



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# freshmen



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 BALZER, DONNA.....Hillsboro, Kansas  
 BARTEL, MARTHA.....Hillsboro, Kansas



BOSCHMAN, PAUL.....Petaigan, Sask., Canada  
 CHAMBERS, RUSSELL.....Newton, Kansas  
 ESAU, RUTH.....Beatrice, Nebraska



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 FLOWERS, VIRGINIA.....Wichita, Kansas  
 FRANZ, EARL.....Marlin, Washington



FRIESEN, MAX.....Lehigh, Kansas  
 FRIESEN, WILMA.....Newton, Kansas  
 GOERING, ERNA.....Moundridge, Kansas





GOERING, EVELYN.....North Newton, Kansas  
GOERING, GILBERT.....Moundridge, Kansas  
GOERING, RALPH.....Elyria, Kansas



GOERING, VERNELL.....Moundridge, Kansas  
GOERTZ, LOUISE.....Hillsboro, Kansas  
GOERTZEN, MATHILDA.....Newton, Kansas



GRABER, BETTY.....Kingman, Kansas  
GRUBBS, WILLIAM.....Newton, Kansas  
HABEGGER, LOIS.....Busby, Montana



HOHMANN, RUPERT.....North Newton, Kansas  
JOST, WALTER.....Hillsboro, Kansas  
KAUFMAN, HOWARD.....Moundridge, Kansas



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KAUFMAN, WILLARD.....Cleveland, Kansas  
KINGERY, GEORGE.....Newton, Kansas



KLEIN, LINDA.....Newton, Kansas  
KREHBIEL, VEDA MAE.....Pretty Prairie, Kansas  
KREHBIEL, RUBY.....Elyria, Kansas





LANGENWALTER, DOROTHY...Gulfport, Mississippi  
LINSCHEID, MARJORIE.....North Newton, Kansas  
LOHRENTZ, ELFRIEDA.....Inman, Kansas



NEUFELD, BETTY.....Paso Robles, California  
NICKEL, SIDONNIA.....Mountain Lake, Minnesota  
NOSTRANT, EVELYN.....Newton, Kansas



OLSON, CHARLES.....Newton, Kansas  
PANKRATZ, ELBERT.....Moundridge, Kansas  
RATZLAFF, IVAN.....Meno, Oklahoma



REGIER, CHESTER.....Hutchinson, Kansas  
RUTSCHMAN, MARJORIE.....Hesston, Kansas  
SAWATZKY, GORDON.....Newton, Kansas



SCHMIDT, EMMA.....Canton, Kansas  
SCHMIDT, FERN.....Newton, Kansas  
SCHMIDT, HILDA.....Newton, Kansas



SCHMIDT, SAM.....Pawnee Rock, Kansas  
SCHMIDT, WANDA.....Newton, Kansas  
SCHROEDER, HILMA.....Hillsboro, Kansas





SCHROEDER, MARGRETE.....Newton, Kansas  
SCHROEDER, PHOEBE.....Kingman, Kansas  
SCHROEDER, WIDICK.....Newton, Kansas



SIEBERT, FRANCES.....Larned, Kansas  
SIEMENS, MAURINE.....Newton, Kansas  
SMITH, VIRGIL.....Pawnee Rock, Kansas



SMITH, ZOLA.....Larned, Kansas  
STINE, MELVIN.....Newton, Kansas  
THIMM, MARTHA.....Beatrice, Nebraska



UNRUH, JAMES.....Hillsboro, Kansas  
VOTH, HAROLD.....Newton, Kansas  
WALKER, JOYCE.....Newton, Kansas



WEDEL, MARGARET.....Moundridge, Kansas  
WHEELER, JAMES, JR.....Newton, Kansas  
WIEBE, ELSIE.....Newton, Kansas



WIEBE, VENORA.....Newton, Kansas  
WORK, NEVA BELLE.....Newton, Kansas

#### FRESHMAN NOT ON PANEL

FRAZER, ELIZABETH.....Halstead, Kansas  
FROESE, EDWARD.....Buhler, Kansas  
GOERING, PHILIP.....Moundridge, Kansas  
HABEGGER, LORIS.....Berne, Indiana



Starry-eyed freshmen arrive on September 5 amid bag and baggage, trying to cover their first pangs of homesickness. . . . Joan Fletcher illustrates mass consumption of watermelon at fall mixer on September 7. . . . Candle Light service highlights the S.C.A. reception September 6. . . . Mosquitoes thrive as "S.C.A. Cabinet" members spend sleepless night Sept. 8 at Harvey County Park retreat; Maurine Siemens has fling for freshman. . . . Sept. 16, Church welcomes students. . . . Foolish freshman cram all night for medical exam at the clinic September 24! ! Luella Smith says "I do," October 5. . . . Wheeler depletes Newton bank October 8 to pay for freshman initiation caps. . . . The Rev. Russell L. Mast inspires students during Christian Life Week, October 8 to 12. . . . Proud Mamas and Papas visit sons and daughters, Oct. 14. . . . Rhys J. Davies prefers "INTEL-LIGENT" Bethel audience to Bigwigs. . . . October 17-18—good food—Why? ?—Western District Conference. . . . Memorial Hall audience thrilled by Roland Hayes, October 19. . . . Messiah Choristers begin rehearsals. . . . "Going Places" goes places November 9. . . . Thankful students feast at banquet, Nov. 16. . . . Students yield to age-old practice of cramming for finals, November 20 and 21.

# Presenting...



At Bethel, as on most campuses, students vary greatly in personality and interest. Some spend the greater part of their school day in the laboratories. The stacks show the scene of some studious person seeking enlightenment. From the music hall comes the sound of a vocal exercise or a piano concerto. The "Inn" is the scene of various congregations—two dazed freshmen are discussing the chem. test and comparing formulas they thought they knew. A committee is discussing plans for the coming Saturday's play-night. And, of course, there are those who are enjoying a little relaxation before their next class. All these and many other factors comprise the Bethel family.

In the following pages a few members of "the family" are shown in the various fields and activities on our Bethel Campus. These students have not been chosen as the ideal representative, but rather as a typical representative of their particular fields. However, the students in the "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities" were chosen by the faculty and student body to represent Bethel in that national organization. The remaining pages are devoted to certain types of fields. They are as follows: Christian Service—Arnold Nickel and Richard Ratzlaff; Efficiency—Neva Belle Work and Kathryn Voth; Athlete—Kenneth Schroeder; Charm—Elsie Neufeld; Internationalists—Joan Fletcher and Viola Siemens; Virtuoso—Rupert Hohmann; Intellect—Rosella Reimer; and Humorist—Sam Schmidt.

# Who's Who



ELEANOR DUERKSEN



STELLA WALTNER



KATHERINE LINSCHEID



MELVIN BOEHR

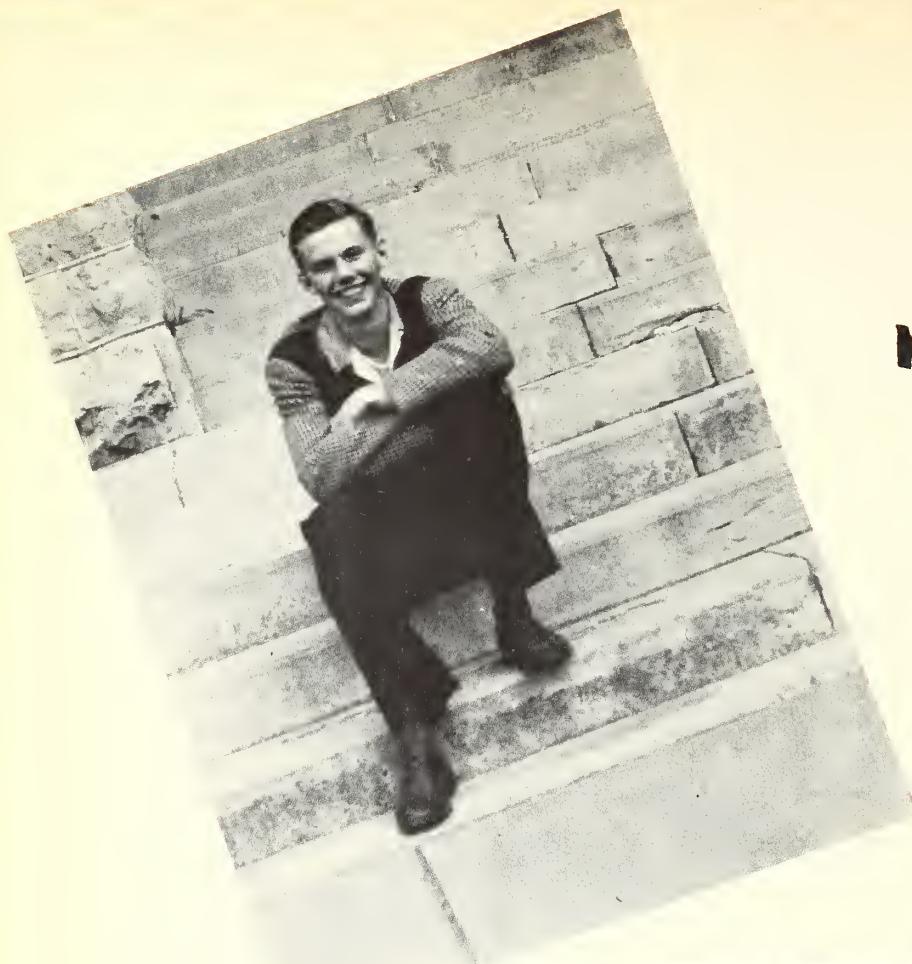




X Christian Service

Efficiency





TC Athlete

Charm





Internationalists

Virtuoso





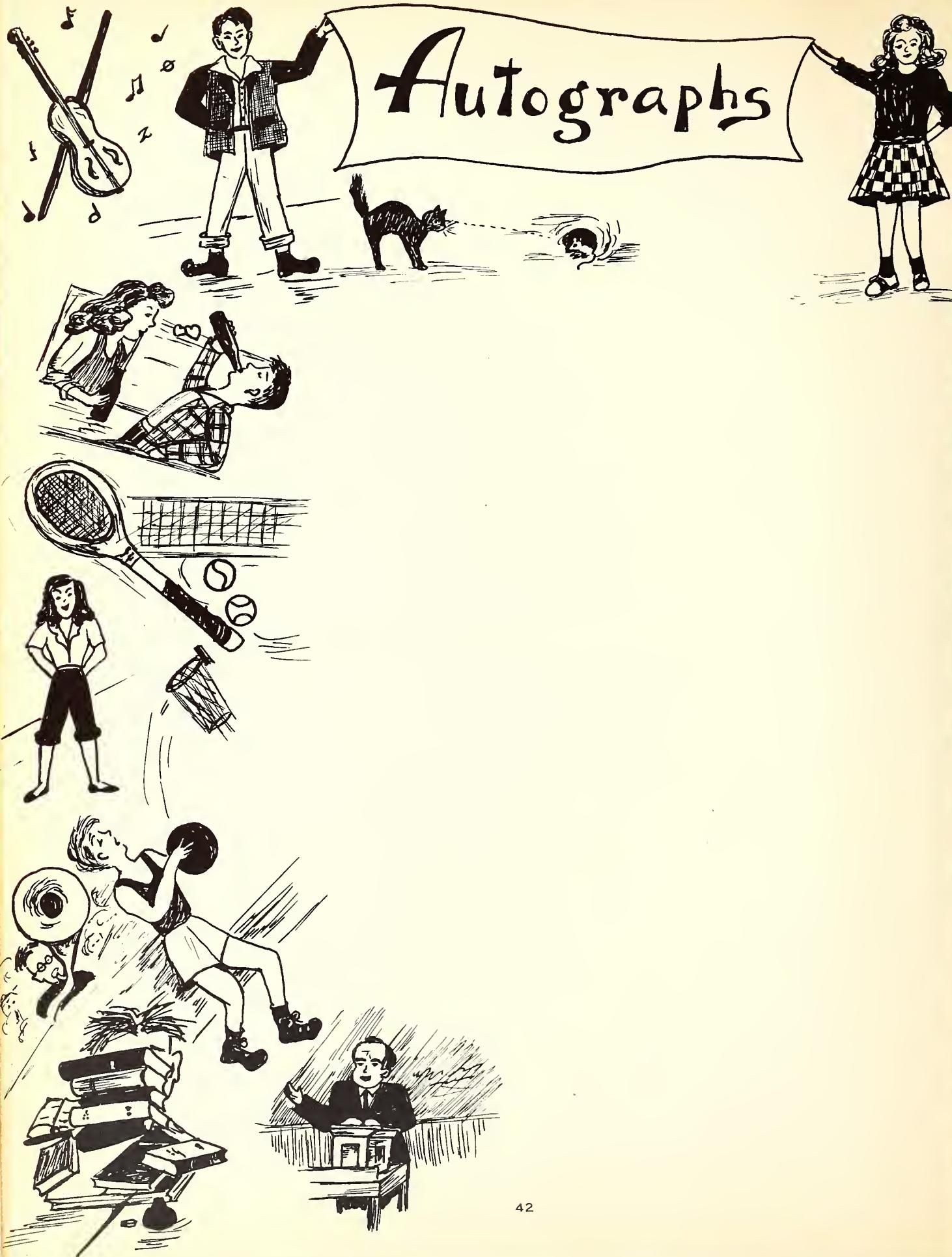
intellect



amorist



# Autographs



# The Bethel Collegian

January 24, 1946 North Newton, Kansas

## D. C. Wedel Tour of District Churches

Ellis Fitch, Public Relations director, and the Rev. D. C. Wedel, pastor of the First Mennonite Church at Halstead, left January 3 for a goodwill tour of the Mennonite Churches of the Eastern District Conference. This visit, which is to last a month, is made in the interest of Bethel College.

At present, the Rev. Mr. Wedel is president of the Board of Directors of Bethel College and president of the Western District Conference.

During the time of the Rev. D. C. Wedel's absence, from his church, Dr. H. A. Fast, Dr. J. Field Fretz and Dr. Leonard F. Miller will bring the morning

## Books Reflect Thought

Would you like to take out insurance on your happiness? Imagine yourselves ten or even five

years from now—a home of your own, perhaps—the clatter of little

feet, perhaps—and the incessant

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## Remember Those Days?

Would you like to take out insurance on your happiness? Imagine yourselves ten or even five

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## Don Cossack Chorus Comir. Memorial Hall February 12

World Renowned Russian Singers A  
Fourth Number in Memorial Hall Seri

Returning for the second time to the Bethel College on Tuesday night, February 12, will be the Original Don Cossack Chorus, famous Russian singers, who will appear in Memorial Hall, under the management of S. Hurok.

The Original Don Cossack group had its beginning as a regiment in about 1919 there was stationed in a lonely camp in Turkistan. It was customary in the old Russian the men with the finest voices were the men chosen to in the religious services. Hearing the men singing the mass, after having come out of the famous Semodal Schindlers with distinguished honors, Serge Jaroff took at his opportunity. Here he found material that today is famous Original Don Cossack Chorus. Within two years had already become famous. Today the distinguished have given over five thousand concerts in 40

## Reverence

If the subdued chords of the organ have never reverberated within your soul;

If the tendrils of hushed music have not entwined themselves around your heart, choking the weeds of worry;

If you have never felt your soul soaring on wings of sublimity;

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# Student Council

The voice of the students may be expressed through the Student Council. This is a representative body of students and is interested in securing co-operation of the students with the faculty and with each other in order to foster a dynamic school spirit. It also serves as a student governing council with responsibility for encouraging proper conduct.

The Council has direct supervision of the Beta Kappas, the Women's and Men's Governing Councils and acts in an advisory capacity to all other student organizations. During the course of the year all of the heads of the various clubs are invited to attend and participate in a number of council sessions for the discussion of common problems.

The editor and business manager of the Collegian and the Graymaroon are chosen by the Student Council.



Seated, left to right—Dean Goertz, Advisor, D. Regier—Secretary-Treasurer, Boehr - President, Waltner - Vice-President, Mrs. Harshbarger, Advisor, Dr. Fretz, Advisor. Standing—Harder, Neufeld, Ediger, Dester, Linscheid, Siemens, C. Regier.

With the return of Bethel to intercollegiate basketball the duties of the Council have increased. They took it upon themselves to promote and foster good will and friendship between Bethel's squad and the visiting team by sponsoring a social after conference games.

The Student Council, as in other years, sponsored the fall-mixer, freshman initiation, farcical review, and Friday and Saturday evening recreational programs and monthly banquets, including special dinners such as those at Christmas and Thanksgiving.

Every session proves to be one of interest and usually lasts longer than anticipated.



## Student Christian Association

**S.C.A. Cabinet.** Back row, left to right—Jantz, Siebert, Elda Duerkson, Stucky - Secretary, Eleanor Duerkson - Vice-President, Thiessen - Treasurer, Schmidt - President, Dr. Fast, Sponsor. Second row—Lehrman, Reimer, Tieszen, Linscheid, Warkentin, Regier, Ediger, Goering. Not on panel, Franz.

The Student Christian Association endeavors to approach all students for the promotion of Christian living during their college experience. The organization promotes Christian fellowship and understanding in such activities as Sunday evening programs, Wednesday morning worship services and our welfare work at the children's home. For development and growth we sponsor Christian Life week for the Bethel family and other activities of a similar nature.

The Student Volunteer Organization meets weekly for the purpose of stimulating and promoting missionary interest and other full-time Christian work. Special speakers and groups are invited to conduct the weekly meetings. It also sponsors tri-weekly prayer meetings, undertakes various projects, and renders deputation programs in the churches and hospitals of the community.

**S.V. Cabinet.** Nickel - President, Dester - Secretary-Treasurer, Peters - Publicity Chairman, Waltner - Vice-President, Regier - Program Chairman, Boehr - Prayer Chairman, Dr. Fast, Sponsor.

## Student Volunteers





## Student Peace Group

**Front row, left to right**—Senner - Project chairman, Riesen, Ediger, S. Waltner, Nachtrigal. **Second row**—Lohrentz, Zerger, Dr. Fretz, Sponscr, Siemens - President, Goertzen, Peters. **Third row**—Warkentin, Quiring, M. Preheim, H. Preheim, Friesen, Reimer, F. Waltner. **Not on panel**, Gerbrand - Secretary, Henry - Program Chairman.

The Student Peace Club exists as a medium through which students may voice their opinions on what they think would solve some of our basic problems on a campus, in a home atmosphere, in a congregation, and also in the nation. The purpose of the organization is to stimulate and promote discussion and action toward the peace effort through Christian methods.

## International Relations Club

**Front row, left to right**—Siemens, E. Goering, Nachtigal, Thiessen - Secretary-Treasurer, Senner - President, Flasschoen - Vice-President, Franz, Regier, Ediger. **Back row**—Dr. Gingerich, Sponsor, Ratzlaff, S. Waltner, Lohrentz, B. Waltner, Siebert, Harder.

The purpose of this club is to study and discuss, objectively, international affairs and to promote an interest in these affairs among the student body. The club assisted in sponsoring the Youth Conference of the Kansas Institute of International Relations, at which time Bethel was host to the colleges of Kansas and Oklahoma.

# Camera Club

Since films are becoming more plentiful, this club is again taking an active part in campus life. They have studied the different kinds of films and then how to take good pictures avoiding the common mistakes most beginners make. They are also learning how to develop and enlarge their pictures. As a finishing project, the club plans to take a field trip with their cameras. The best pictures will be shown to the student body.



**Front row, left to right**—Clegg, Duérksen, Flasschoen · Chairman, Stucky, Balzer, W. Schroeder. **Second row**—Work, H. Schroeder, Launhart, Grundman, Wiebe, Claassen, Ratzlaff. Dr. Gingerich, Sponsor, J. Loewen, not on panel.



# Debate

The Phi Kappa Delta question for debate in 1946 is: Resolved that the United States should direct its foreign policy toward the establishment of free trade among the nations. The team has thus far participated in two practice tournaments, one at Bethel and the other at McPherson College. Dr. Gingerich, as debate coach, serves as faculty adviser.



**Left to right**—Habegger, Wheeler



# future Teachers Of America



**Back row, left to right**—Dirksen - President, Franz - Vice-President, Bartel - Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Regier, Sponsor. **Front row**—Schroeder, Regier, Kaufman, Gates, Schmidt, Friesen, Walker.

The purpose of the Future Teachers of America is to develop among young people who are preparing to be teachers an organization which shall be an integral part of state and national education associations and to encourage careful selection of persons admitted to schools which prepare teachers, with emphasis on both character and scholarship, and to encourage teaching as a life-long career.

Many interesting problems and ideas are dealt with in the Elementary Teachers Club. The programs consist of outside speakers, illustrated talks and new ideas presented by the members. A special program and social was held at Christmas.

**Back row, left to right**—Boehr, Duerksen, Dirksen, Unruh, Voth, D. Regier, Bartel, Schroeder, Kaufman, Friesen. **Front row**—L. Regier, Goering, Friesen, Franz - President, Boese - Vice-President, Dr. Regier, Sponsor. **Not on panel**—Chester Regier - Secretary-Treasurer.



# Elementary Teachers Club



## Cheminar

**Front row**—Lohrentz, W. Kaufman, E. Schmidt, Ratzlaff, Launhart, S. Schmidt, G. Goering, H. Kaufman, Smith. **Back row**—Jantz, G. Goering, Franz, Smith, Friesen, Schroeder, Dr. Kreider, Regier, Sawatzky, Boschman.

Cheminar is a science club which provides recreation and education for students interested in the field of chemistry. The officers included: Katherine Launhart, President; Samuel Schmidt, Vice-President, Kenneth Schroeder, Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Leonard C. Kreider, Advisor.

The Home Economics Club, under the supervision of Miss Hill, meets twice a month. The activities are planned so that many different phases of Home Economics may be introduced. Some of the activities of the club have been, serving formal dinners, a Christmas party, and the study of etiquette. Officers for the first two quarters were: Neva Schmidt, President; Elizabeth Claassen, Vice-President, Norma Mae Tieszen, Secretary, Elaine Wedel, Treasurer; Faire Stucky, Song Leader; LaVeta Loganbill, Reporter. Officers for the third quarter were: Lola Mae Regier, President; Betty Regier, Vice-President; Clara Franz, Secretary; Wilma Unruh, Treasurer; Betty Neufeld, Song Leader; Anne Marie Regier, Reporter.

**Front row**—A. Regier, Franz, L. Regier, Neufeld, B. Regier. **Back row**—Tieszen, Schmidt, Stucky, Wedel, Claassen, Loganbill.

## Home Economics Club





## Dorm Council

**Front row**—Mrs. Harshbarger, N. Schmidt, B. Waltner. **Back row**—W. Unruh, N. Tieszen, M. Wiebe, L. Loganbill.

The purpose of the Women's Governing Council is to create good will and a spirit of co-operation among the girls staying on the campus. Officers include, Neva Schmidt, President; Belva Waltner, Vice-President; LaVeta Loganbill, Secretary; Mrs. Harshbarger, Faculty Advisor.

The purpose of the Offistocrat Club is to broaden our general knowledge and usefulness in things pertaining to business practice. The club meets every two weeks. Officers include: Dorothy Anne Goering, President; Edna Mae Boese, Vice-President; Katherine Voth, Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Bargen, Sponsor.

## Offistocrat Club



**Front row**—M. Franz, E. Goering, Voth, D. Goering, Boese, Wiebe, Mr. Bargen. **Second row**—Work, Ewy, Schroeder. **Back row**—H. Schmidt, Goertzen, Siebert, Balzer, Jahnke, Grundman, E. Schmidt, Thimm.



# Collegian

**Front row**—Peters, Reimer, Linscheid, Ediger. **Back row**—Mr. Graber, Boese, Voth, Senner, Wedel.

Sponsored by the Student Council and published by the student body of Bethel College, the Collegian appears twice monthly. The first two quarters of this year the staff included: Katherine Linscheid, Editor-in-Chief; Amanda Ediger, Associate Editor; Rosella Reimer, Assistant Editor; Hildegarde Peters, Business Manager; Hazel Senner, Assistant Business Manager; Edna Boese, Distribution Manager; Katherine Voth, Exchange Manager; Arnold Wedel, Sports Editor, and Mr. Graber, Faculty Advisor.

Beta Kappa is composed of twenty-five girls elected by the entire student body in the fall of the year. Once a member, a girl is in the club for her entire college life. This is the service and pep club of the school. Some of the activities include ushering at all school functions, sponsoring parties, and serving as "pepsters" for college sports. Officers of the club included: Betty Regier, President; Doris Gerbrand, Vice-President; Gladys Dester, Secretary-Treasurer; Susan Quiring, Stunt Captain; Mrs. Harshbarger, Faculty Advisor.

## Beta Kappa



**Front row**—Fast, Preheim, Dester, R. Regier, Gerbrand, Quiring, E. Neufeld, Warkentin. **Second row**—Smith, Langenwalter, B. Neufeld, Siemens, C. Regier, Launhart, A. Regier, V. Krehbiel. **Back row**—S. Schmidt, E. Siebert, F. Siebert, Berner, Tieszen, R. Krehbiel, Stucky, N. Schmidt.



## The North wind doth blow . . .

Jerome Davis' address highlights first week of second quarter . . . Basketball again becomes a reality at Bethel as the "Graymaroons" challenge the Mound-builders in the opening game of the season . . . Young Hohmann again thrills campus with violin recital December 2 . . . Linguists of Bethel present annual German Christmas Program, December 7 . . . On December 8, Bethel is host to Regional Debate Tournament . . . Memorial Hall Series presents woman lecturer, Ruth Bryan Rohde, December 10 . . . Annual rendition of Handel's Messiah highlights bright green ski sweater . . . Snowfall co-eds hearts with Christmas season . . . Annual Christmas pageant, December 17 . . . The Academy entertains with impressive Christmas banquet . . . December 20, "School's Out." MERRY CHRISTMAS! ! ! Six dreamy-eyed girls flash diamonds, as students return after vacation . . . Percy Grainger "sends" crowd with flawless piano playing, January 4 . . . Students attempt to overcome "After-Christmas-Hangover" . . . Business students organize "Offistocrat Club." . . . House sold out for Don Cossack choir, February 12 . . . Students b-a-r-e-ly survive ordeal of quarter finals . . . Choir celebrates end of quarter by basking in Oklahoma dust for five days (Choir trip). Howard Stucky becomes veteran tire-changer.

# Graymaroon Staff



Magdalen Friesen, Ruth Smith, Elvera Voth, Elaine Siebert, Mr. Gruber.



Mary Lou Rich, Widick Schroeder  
Hildegard Peters, Billie Clegg

The Graymaroon for the school year of 1945-46 was again a project of the student council. The editor, Elvera Voth; assistant editor, Elaine Siebert; business manager, Ruth Smith; and assistant business manager, Magdalyn Friesen, were elected the first quarter to assume the major responsibility of the publication. This staff, together with the sponsor, Mr. Gruber, then chose some individual section editors. The latter included Rosella Reimer, Charles Lehrman, Neva Belle Work, Anne Marie Regier, Arnold Wedel, Hermie Preheim, Meribeth Nachtigal and Marjorie Linscheid. Mary Lou Rich was the editor of the Academy section.

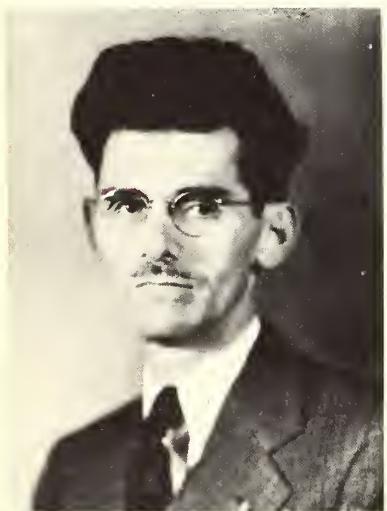
Special thanks should be given to the photographers, Widick Schroeder and George Kingery, and the artists, Billie Clegg and Hildegard Peters. The developers also deserve recognition for their services. They included Marjorie Wiebe, Faire Stucky, Leonard Bartel, and Melvin Funk.

This year's Graymaroon Staff was completely inexperienced, none of them ever having been on the staff before. As a result, much of the work was done on a "trial and error" basis, but all-in-all it was an interesting experience.

# Choir



**Front row**—S. Waltner, F. Waltner, Gerbrand, Fast, B. Neufeld, A. Unruh, Jantz, E. Wedel, K. Linscheid, S. Schmidt, Raymer, M. Wedel. **Second row**—Klein, B. Regier, B. Waltner, E. Voth, Nachtigal, S. Boehr, Franz, Jahnke, Reimer, E. Schmidt, M. Friesen, E. Waltner, Rutschman, E. Neufeld. **Third row**—Lohrentz, V. Krehbiel, Senner, F. Stucky, G. Goering, Flasschoen, Funk, Pankratz, R. Schmidt, Franz, I. Ratzlaff, H. Stucky, E. Goering. **Back row**—E. Schmidt, Boschman, Harder, Habegger, Nickel, M. Boehr, J. Unruh, Friesen, Reimer, Hohmann, R. Ratzlaff, R. Goering, H. Kaufman, Jost, C. Regier.



WALTER H. HOHMANNS  
Director

Under the direction of Professor Walter H. Hohmann, the Bethel College A Cappella Choir again has been a source of inspiration to its members and to those listening to it. The choir spent a total of twelve days giving concerts in the churches and schools in Mennonite communities in Oklahoma, Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, and South Dakota. Due to better traveling conditions it gave its services in an increasing number of engagements to surrounding communities, including a concert at Wichita.

The selected choir of fifty-four voices also gave the traditional "The Seven Last Words" by DuBois during the Easter season, and the music for "The Christmas Tableau" at Christmas. In addition they participated in the annual rendition of the Messiah by the Community Chorus.

This organization has also sung at programs, socials, conferences, and Sunday morning services, through the school year.

## Community Orchestra

The orchestra with a nucleus of college musicians invited several musicians from surrounding communities, making a well-balanced orchestra to work under the baton of Professor Vilas R. Gerber. The orchestra made several appearances in surrounding communities, played at the Booster Banquet and gave an annual Spring Concert. One of the major achievements was that of helping in the annual renditions of the Messiah led by the capable concertmaster, Walter Hohmann.



## The Messiah Chorus



The strains of the majestic "Hallelujah" chorus again thrilled a vast audience in Memorial Hall the Sunday before Christmas vacation. This was the eighteenth consecutive performance and the fifth appearance in Memorial Hall. The orchestra, two pianos, four excellent soloists, and a well trained mass choir, helped to make this again, another unforgettable performance. The soloists were: Miss Ruthabel Rickman, Soprano; Miss Wilma Osheim, Alto; Mr. Herbert Sherman, Tenor; and Mr. Herbert Gould, Bass. Accompanists were Mrs. Erwin Goering and Miss Alta Mae Unruh. Mr. Vilas Gerber was the Director of the orchestra and Mr. Walter Hohmann again directed the choir.

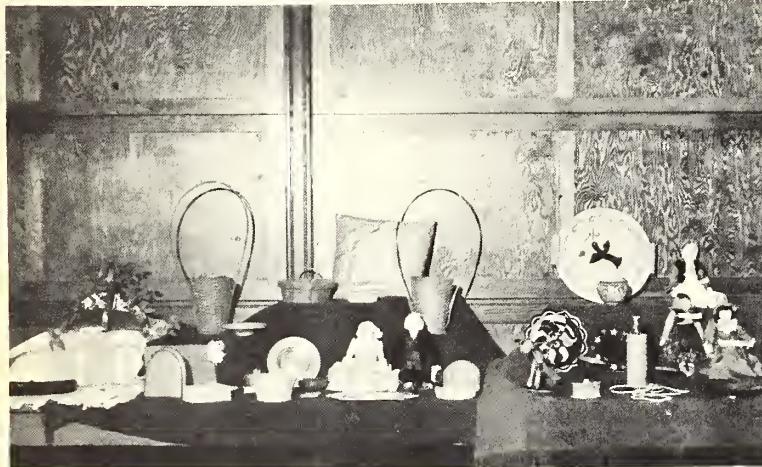


## Dramatics

The dramatics department is gradually being revived. A three hour course in dramatics was offered during the first quarter.

On November 9 the all school play, "Going Places," was presented in Memorial Hall. The three-act comedy was directed by Eldon Gruber, the dramatics instructor.

Other dramatic activity on the campus was the annual Christmas pageant. In collaboration the art, music, and dramatics department presented this pageant. A German Christmas program and a low-German play, "De Bildung," were two plays presented under the direction of Cornelius Krahn.



## Art Department



Two exhibits by the art department have shown the various types of work done by Miss Lena Waltner's classes. The emphasis has been on crafts and design where the students have worked with leather, clay, weaving, pottery, and various metals, as well as textile painting. At Christmas time the display of charming greetings at the book store demonstrated the silk screen process used by the art department.

The addition of the kiln, which is used for firing pottery, has made this a special year for this department.

# Memorial Hall Series



Joyce Walker, Roland Hayes, Joan Fletcher.



Guy Gephart, Rhys Davies, Dean Goertz.

A desire to provide wholesome family entertainment for 3,000 friends at a season ticket cost of one dollar plus tax has resulted in THE BETHEL COLLEGE MEMORIAL HALL SERIES.

A study of the list of evening entertainments made available during the past four years reveals the results of cooperation and faith in this project.

1942-43

Arthur E. Morgan  
Lew Sarett  
Carveth Wells

1943-44

Don Cossack Chorus  
Alfred Noyes  
Ralph Sockman

1944-45

Hart House String Quartet  
Willis Sutton  
Wings Over Jordan  
Walter Judd  
Apollo Boys' Choir

The numbers for the year 1945-46 included: Roland Hayes, Negro Tenor, October 19, 1945; Ruth Bryan Owen Rhode, America's First Woman Diplomat, December 10, 1945; Percy Grainger, pianist and composer, January 4, 1946; Original Don Cossack Chorus, February 12, 1946; Chicago Round Table, May 3, 1946. The Chicago Round Table's topic for discussion was "America's Economic Future." Included in this discussion were Louis Wirth, Professor of Sociology and Associate Dean of the Division of Social Science; Maynard C. Krueger, Assistant Professor of Economics; and D. Gale Johnson, Research Associate in Agricultural Economics.

A Special Assembly series presented to the public without charge was made possible by the income from the Memorial Hall series. These programs included:

Honorable Rhys Davies, Member of British Parliament, October 15.

Donald Scott-Morrison, Pianist, October 23.

Wesley Flanery, Aeronautics lecturer, November, 2.

Jerome Davies, War Correspondent, November 28.

E. C. Buehler, Speech Specialist, January 18.

Devere Allen, Lecturer on South America, April 12.

The members of the Memorial Hall Series Committee selecting and managing such a splendid program are: Dr. Melvin Gingerich, Prof. Walter H. Hohmann, Mr. Willis Rich, and Dean P. S. Goertz.

# Worship



To Him who is the Creator of the Seasons, we owe our supreme and humble devotion. On Him the foundations of our School are established. From Him we receive the help and inspiration that make all knowledge and all contacts worthwhile.

Endeavoring to foster this spirit of Christ centeredness is the aim of Bethel College. Consequently, religious activities play an important part in the life of the students. Dr. Henry A. Fast is faculty director of the spiritual life program in school.

The Student Christian Association carries on a program of activity that gives all members an opportunity for expression and participation. Ninety per cent of the student body are members of S.C.A., and they serve on their choice of committees. Wednesday chapel services and Sunday evening programs, under S.C.A. leadership, are also conducted by the students. Another worthwhile activity of the S.C.A. is the "Big Sister" and "Big Brother" program, which helps new students become acquainted at the beginning of the year. The spirit of the S.C.A. is greatly strengthened by those who attend intercollegiate conferences, especially the summer conferences at Estes Park, Colorado.

High point in the Student Christian Association and in the lives of its members is Christian Life Week. Held during the month of October, this week of services has become an annual event. Its purpose is to discover anew what it means to be a Christian; to appreciate more fully the Person, Teaching, and influence of Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour, and to find ones place in the eternal plan and purpose of God. The Rev. Russel Mast of Wadsworth, Ohio, was secured as leader. In morning and evening meetings, he presented the theme: A Faith Adequate for our Need.



Dr. Henry A. Fast

The Student Volunteer Movement also fills a vital place in the spiritual life of the students. Every Tuesday night the members meet for a period of fellowship and discussion. Outside speakers as well as students contribute to the interesting and challenging programs. Three times a week the group sponsors prayer meetings led by students. A thought for the day on the bulletin board is another service of the S. V. Contact with churches in other communities is maintained through the services of the S.V. deputation program. The mission theme is predominant in all the Student Volunteer activities. Through these weekly meetings, prayer meetings, and deputation programs, spiritual life is fostered and strength received.

Bible Week, with sessions morning, afternoon, and evening, is a mountain top experience in the religious life of the school as well as in the religious life of the surrounding community. Speakers this year were the Rev. J. N. Smucker, president of the General Conference, and the Rev. William Beahm, dean of Bethany Biblical Seminary. The Rev. J. N. Smucker discussed the book of Philippians in the afternoon, and presented "The Masters Friends," a series of character studies in the evening. Afternoon addresses of the Rev. William Beahm centered around the missionary challenge under the topic "Go Ye Therefore." His evening messages concerned the vital subject of "Christ and our Modern World."

Every day students attend chapel for inspiration and enlightenment. Speakers representing various points of view share their thoughts and convictions with the students and faculty. Interest of the students in these assemblies can be noted by their keen attention and respect to the speakers. A devotional period, consisting of organ music, hymn singing, scripture and prayer, creates an atmosphere of worship and meditation.

The religious life on the Bethel College Campus is something much deeper than the outward expression in religious activities. It is the spirit within the students seeking to know and give their best to the Creator of the Seasons.





# Bethel College Church

## THE CHURCH

There are re-occurring seasons in church life as well as in the realm of nature. The Bethel College Church centers its program of worship and activity around the church seasons. Each of these church seasons points to the coming of Christ at Christmas.

As a place of worship the Bethel College Church offers students a rest from weekly cares. Public worship fulfills a need of the human soul and the church offers opportunity for expression of praise and adoration in fellowship with other Christians. The services of the A Cappella Choir add greatly to the worship service and foster a spirit of oneness between students and resident church members.

Worship Services and Sunday School are only part of the program carried on jointly by the Church and the College. Other co-operative activities are: Bible Study during Lent; Holy Week Services during the Easter Season, and The School of Missions during Epiphany. The latter continues for six Sundays and includes a fellowship hour, study period and pictures illustrating the countries studied.

At the beginning of the year a welcoming social is given by the church for the students. This annual event includes games, talks, and refreshments.

The Bethel College Church invites students to become associate members while in campus residence. This in no way severs their Home church membership, but gives a channel for closer unity in church life while at school. Students appreciate this expression of welcome as well as the important place the church worship and program has in their lives.



# Labor



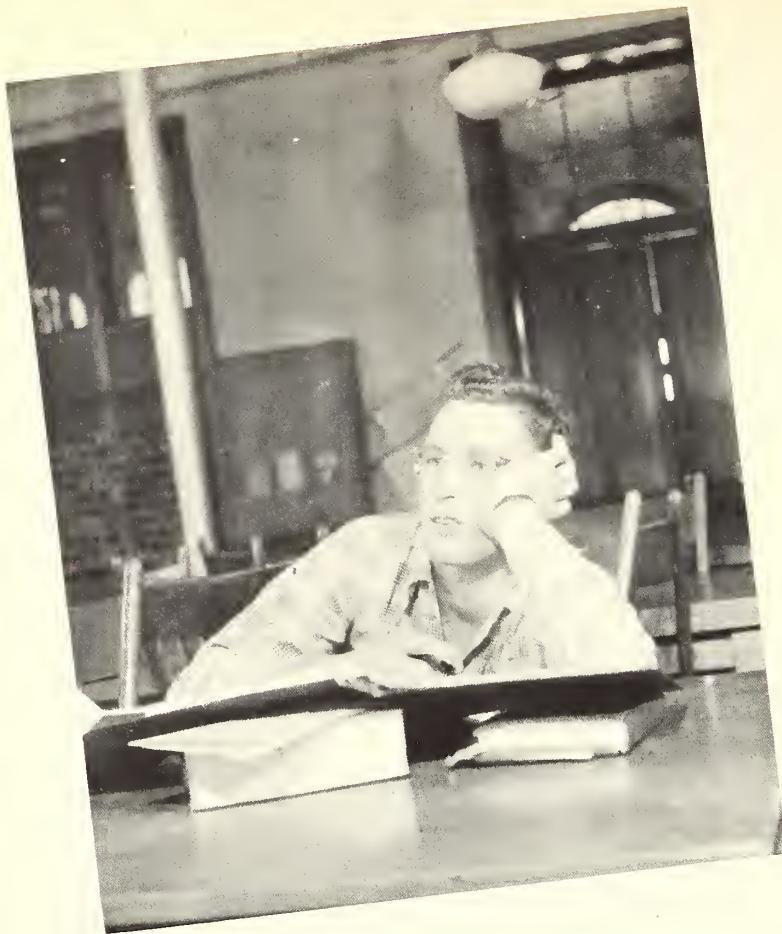
Fifty-seven per cent of the students on the Bethel Campus are regularly employed by the college. Of the remaining forty-three per cent, many work either at home or are employed in the city of Newton. With these facts in view, it is quite evident that the "college job" is not merely a task separated from the rest of the day's activities, but rather a part of it.

There are eight large areas in which students may be employed at Bethel: maintenance work, print shop, work in the dining hall, clerical and administrative offices, secretarial bureau, laundry, college inn and the book store. Some positions in these areas include linotype operators, cooks, waiters, dishwashers, inn waitresses, secretaries, janitors, and clerks.

Bethel College stands among the first ten colleges of its size in the United States having a definitely organized work program. Herbert Wiebe, acting as Dean of Labor, has served in this capacity for two years and is to be commended for the efficient service he has rendered.

Work has a dignified and respected position in Bethel's routine of daily activities. Students learn to accept responsibilities; some acquire new skills; many temporary business associates become life long friends.





Spring  
fever

Jewish Rabbi presents his views to interested student body on March 5. . . . Choir embarks on five-state tour on March 9. . . . Willis Rich makes singing debut on bus with Alfalfa Hay. Thanks to "Speed" members return safely on March 15. . . . Smucker and Beahm inspire community during Bible Week, March 17-22. . . . Two days testing program sets Sophomore's heads awhirl. . . . Alta Mae Unruh plays graduation recital March 27. . . . "Honora MacBecker" turns Irish while toastmistress at all-school banquet. . . . **Studenta geeva "De Bildung."** March 28. . . . Senior comps, beginning on April 1 prove to be no April fool joke. . . . Elvera Voth presents organ recital, April 3. . . . White House wins cherished cup from Carnegie at Farcity Review. . . . Track men participate in Wichita track meet, April 7; White House boys entertain ladies of their choice at the traditional "White House party." . . . April 13 is the lucky day for the seniors, being entertained by President and Mrs. Kaufman at dinner. . . . Month of April also gave us that interesting South American lecturer, Devere Allen. . . . Blue Monday for seniors, April 15, as April showers appear in the form of written comps. . . . April 16, final Graymaroon copy sent in, deadlines punctually met—Hey, how did this get in here? ? ? Senior activities highlighted with banquet given by their gracious host, the juniors. . . . May 10, senior class presents a drama, "The Brother." . . . Strains of the graduation march find thirty seniors marching up the aisle to receive the cherished diploma and the handshake of the President. . . . Sequel to the perfect school year: packing your "duds" and trying to remember whether your favorite sweater is yours or your roommates.

G-R-A-Y-M-A-R-O-O-N-S ---- !!!



# Basketball



Coach Graber and Business Manager Wedel

After more than two years of no intercollegiate athletic competition, Bethel students heartily welcomed back a regular intercollegiate sports program. This program began with the regular basketball season of the Kansas Conference and continued to include track and tennis in the spring. Although the final Graymaroon cage record does not look too impressive on paper, only five won out of fourteen played, the season was a howling success, not only for Bethel supporters but financially as well. And only one game, that with the McPherson Bulldogs here, could be considered a runaway as the Bulldogs won somewhat easily 53-24. Further proof of the close margins of victory by opponents can be proved by the fact that the Graymaroons averaged almost thirty-nine points per game while the opposition scored only an average of one point per contest better.

Only one college letterman, Denard Loganbill, who lettered previously at Bluffton College, Ohio, was on hand to greet new Mentor Eldon Graber. But seven high school cage men showed up along with some inexperienced material to give Coach Graber something to work with.

The Graymaroon started out by invading the Moundbuilder lair at Southwestern. After a very slow first half the Maroon and Gray outscored the Builders in the second half

**From left to right**—Lehrman, Loganbill, Schroeder, Friesen, H. Kaufman, Franz, W. Kaufman, Ratzlaff.

Opponent	We	They
Southwestern .....	30	46
Bethany .....	43	33
Southwestern.....	32	43
C. of Emporia .....	66	23
Baker .....	37	50
Ottawa .....	36	41
Bethany .....	40	46



Opponent	We	They
McPherson .....	24	53
Baker .....	38	30
Ottawa .....	33	38
Sterling .....	31	22
McPherson .....	42	49
C. of Emporia .....	42	53
Sterling .....	48	32



but only to lose 46-30. However, Bethel bounced back the next game to hang up their initial win on the Memorial Hall floor, as they rallied in the last half to win handily over the Terrible Swedes of Bethany 43-33. In the following games the unpredictable Graymaroon just could not get in gear the opening half and consequently lost each fray by a few points. The loss of Virgil Smith at Christmastide was a terrific blow to the squad and woefully weakened the Maroon defense. A mid-season upset over the Baker Wildcats on the local court was further proof of the unpredictable. The boys were hot in some stages of the game and then just as cold in others.

Bethel hopes depended on seven boys, five of whom started the school year under draft age and the remaining two were staunch 4-F's. Center Kenneth Schroeder topped the Graymaroon offensive and defensive departments as he rang up better than ten points per contest. Closely behind him, however, were Forward Denard Loganbill with over nine markers per fray and Forward Howard Kaufman with slightly under eight. Guard Max Friesen proved to be the best shot on the squad both in the field and at the free throw line. Fifth regular starter was Chuck Lehrman. However, these boys were pushed considerably for starting positions by front end men Earl Franz and Willard Kaufman.

From left to right—Funk, Habegger, Unruh, Regier, Ratzlaff, Flasschoen, Wedel.





**GIRLS BASKETBALL**—Front row—Work, Berner-Captain, Gerbrand. Back row—Friesen, Franz, Krehbiel.

**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**—Front row—Wedel, Goertzen, Quiring - Captain, Gerbrand. Back row—Bartel, Friesen, Reimer.



## Intramural Sports

This school year found a continuation of the intramural program set forth last year. This program enables those students who do not have the time or ability to participate in varsity intercollegiate athletics, to indulge in some form of team or individual competition each week. Both boys and girls programs consisted of team competition in volley ball, basketball, and softball and individual activities such as badminton and table tennis. Every Tuesday evening the girls participated in some type of intramural activity while on Thursday evening the boys indulged in some similar sport.

The college freshmen won the boys softball title hands down by edging past both the Academy and college upper classmen. The girls tournament was called incomplete because of the change back to Daylight Saving Time, but the Academy girls were generally conceded the victors.

Six sextets comprised the boys' volleyball tournament with the Academy White House boys, captained by Edgar Harder, winning the finale over a strong Academy non-dormitory outfit. The girls tournament found Captain Susan Quiring leading her team to victory in the finals to win handily.

During the winter quarter there was fur flying each Tuesday and Thursday evening on the Memorial Hall court. Two Academy and two college teams comprised the boys basketball league with the Academy Whites going through the regular season undefeated but losing to their classmates, the Greens in the tournament. The Greens then won the cup by walloping the Maroons in a lop-

sided battle 38-21. Sparkplugs of the Whites were Edgar Harder, Floyd Bartel, Bob Unruh, and Nelson Reimer while the Green's quintet was led by Eldon Schierling, Eldon Bargen, and Allen Dale Kaufman.

Eight teams battled it out for top honors in the girls basketball league with the team captained by Eileen Berner edging past a sextet captained by Betty Neufeld 28-26 to win the coveted girls crown.

After the regular intercollegiate basketball season ended, the male freshman challenged their supposedly superiors, the upper classmen, in basketball, and turned them back, 29-23. Kenneth Schroeder led the freshman attack while Melvin Funk and Denard Loganbill were the offensive bulwarks for the upper classmen. In February Ivan Ratzlaff defeated Earl Franz two out of three matches to take the table tennis tournament.

The month of April was spent playing badminton as four tournaments were staged; one for boys doubles, boys singles, girls singles, and girls doubles. Also continuation of the incompletely fall program of softball is being planned.

Miss Mildred Beecher and Mr. Peter Kaufman deserve much commendation for the fine way in which they have directed the intramural program of Bethel College this past year.



**BOYS BASKETBALL**—Front row—Kaufman, Shirling - Captain, Reimer.  
Back row—Bartel, Harder, Unruh.





Pete Kaufman. Track Mentor

Schroeder, Kaufman

Front row—Ratzlaff, Franz. Back row—Funk, Pankratz.

It is as yet hard to predict how the Graymaroons will stand in the conference in track this year. There are at present no college lettermen working out but in the first meet of the year Bethel's thinclads placed third in an invitational meet held at Wichita University. No firsts were garnered, but high school lettermen Kenny Schroeder and Howard Kaufman each placed in three events. Schroeder placed in the field events while Kaufman placed in the dashes and hurdles. About ten boys are working out daily. It is hoped by Track Mentor Pete Kaufman that at least two more meets will be held before the Kansas Conference track meet which is scheduled to take place on Baker University's track, May 17th.

However, prospects are far brighter in tennis than in track. Three high school lettermen have been working out daily along with a fourth who has considerable previous tennis experience. The high school lettermen are Earl Franz, a county champion from Marlin, Washington, Ivan Ratzlaff, and Elbert Pankratz. Melvin Funk has played considerably while in C.P.S. and ranks with the Graymaroon's best.

Tennis matches have been scheduled with Bethany and other meets are in sight. The Kansas Conference tennis meet will probably be held in connection with the track meet which is scheduled to be held at Baker on May 17.

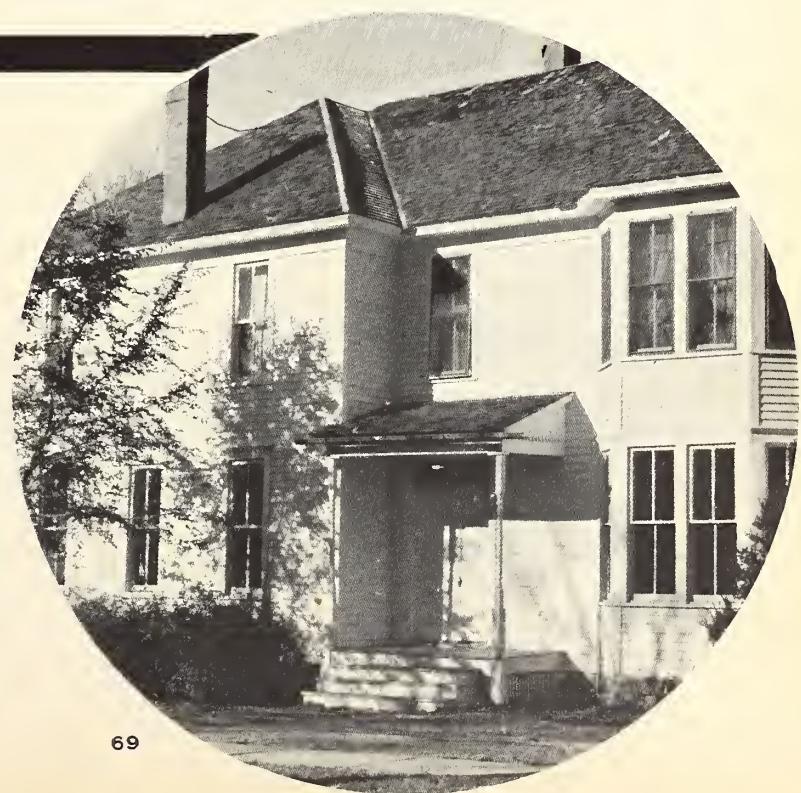
## Track



## Tennis



# Mennonite Bible Academy



# Faculty



**From left to right—front row—**

MR. ELDON GRABER, Algebra, Geometry, General Science.  
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**Not on plate—**

MR. VILAS GERBER, Music.  
 MISS ELVERA VOTH, Assistant Music.



Mrs. Peter Kaufman, Home Economics.

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ESTHER MAE ANDRES  
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Special Students—Not on plate—

EVELYN GOERING  
North Newton, Kansas

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## Ambassadors

The programs and activities of the "Ambassadors for Christ Club" this year have been centered around the motto, "All Things for Christ." Club members have taken part in some "good will" projects, and have presented several programs in different churches.



## Music

Music plays an important part in the Academy. There are four groups in this department. The General Chorus consists of fifty-five members. The boys' and girls' glee clubs consist of twelve members each. Twenty students take part in the Mixed Ensemble. These groups have enjoyed presenting programs in surrounding communities.



## Sophomores

Ilea Voth, Eldon Bargent, Vice-President; G. Lester Harms, President; Robert Unruh, Lloyd Wiebe, Estelle Bartel, Sara Suderman, Vernon Harms, Delbert Wedel, Donovan Bachman, Marjorie Funk, Betty Kaufman, Lola Voth, Dora Claassen, Secretary, James Rich, Marguerite Dieck, Sylvia Andres, Student Council; Violet Krehbiel, Randalin Hohmann, Floyd Unruh. **Not on plate**—Martha Epp, Sylvester Knowshisgun, Lanoy Loganbill, Glen Regier, Eldon Schierling, Clariece Wiebe.

1 What a surprise!



2 Hey!

3 Pete

4 Everybody sing....



5 What's up, boys?



6 Thinkin' Harder

7 Office girl

8 On the edge -



9 Soo—o happy

10 Oh those hats!

11 Huba! Huba!

12 Basketball team

13 Scrooge

14 School's out



# ALMA MATER.

A. D. S.

Unison.

1. Ma - roon and Gray, oh fair - est col - ors, Hail to you we e'er shall sing,  
 2. When we face life's fierc - est bat - tles, Songs of vic - to - ry shall ring,  
 3. May the days be bright or drea - ry, Tho' the years may come and go,

With spirit.

Float-ing brave - ly o'er all oth - ers, Joy to loy - al hearts you bring.  
 For our mem - o - ries un - fail - ing, Ev - er cour - age to us bring.  
 Yet to us there comes a glad - ness, When a - gain these strains we sing:

CHORUS.

Then cheer, cheer, cheer for Beth-el, For our dear old Al - ma Ma - ter.

Thru the years her praise shall ech - o, Ev - er true to her we'll be.







# A Cappella Choir Tour



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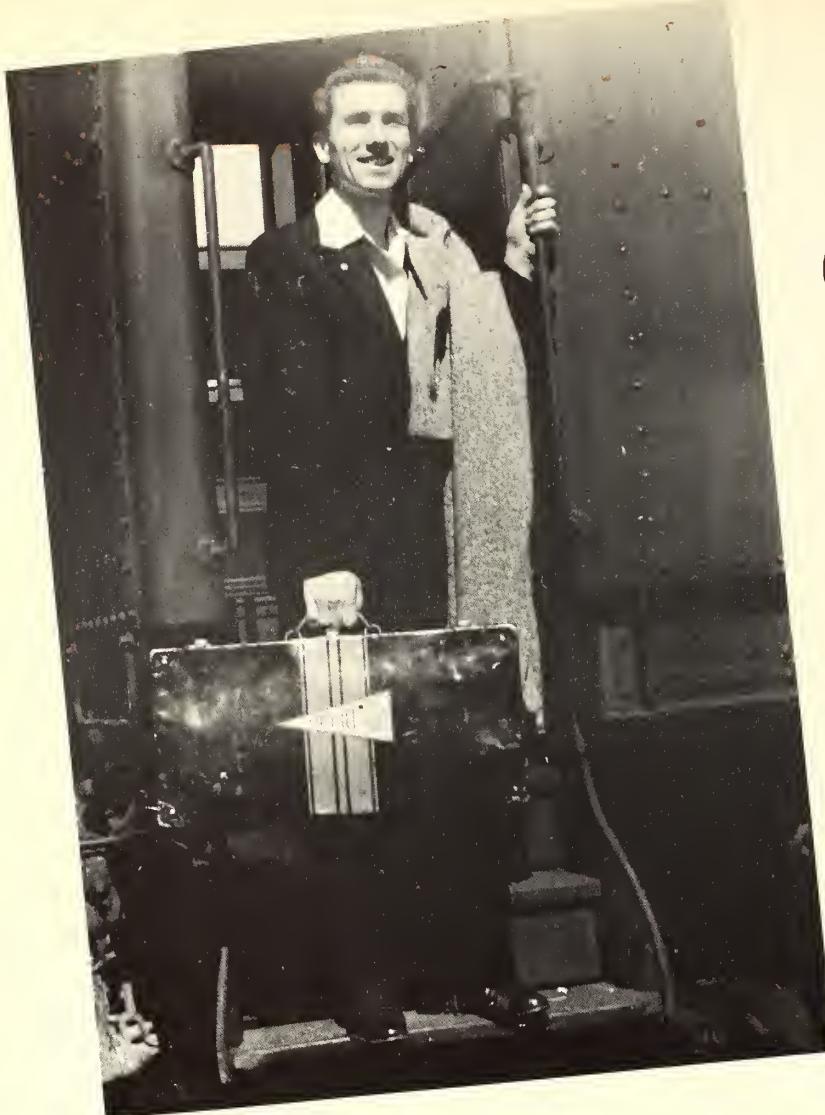
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Hello,  
Mom . . .

With the strains of the graduation march and the farewells of roommates and friends ringing in their ears, students leave for another summer's vacation. . . . Summer plans are varied. . . . Several students look forward to an enriching experience in various projects with the M.C.C.—this will include work in Mental Hospitals, Social Welfare, Relief, and general office work. . . . Others are counting the days until they can leave for a summer of work and recreation at Estes Park. . . . We hear boys (and also some girls) talking of spending a quiet summer on the farm. . . . Not mentioning any names, there are those who have that "certain day in June" marked with orange blossoms. . . . Summer School will again claim some diligent students. . . . Next fall many students will be back refreshed and ready to start a new year as a result of the summer vacation. . . .

We had our hands full



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The aim of the Graymaroon staff this year has been to build a book which will preserve some of the memories of the past school year and which will be a credit to our Alma Mater.

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